GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SCHEMES FOR STS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any mechanism is in place to monitor the implementation of schemes/programmes meant for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes (STs) across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government and State Governments have jointly formulated any schemes/programmes for the welfare of STs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MAHADEO S. KHANDELA)

(a)& (b): Yes, Madam. Monitoring of implementation of schemes/programmes of the Ministry is an ongoing process and the details are as under:

(i) Utilization Certificates are insisted upon as a pre-requisite for further release of funds;

(ii) Progress reports regarding the status of implementation of schemes are obtained;

(iii) Officers undertake visits to the States/ Union Territories for ascertaining the progress of implementation of various schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs;

(iv) Meetings/ Conferences are convened at the Central level with State officials to ensure timely submission of proposals, speed up of implementation of the schemes/programmes, and reviewing the physical and financial progress;

(v) The Ministry releases grants to Voluntary Organizations/ Non-Governmental Organization after obtaining the annual inspection report from the District Collector and recommendation of the "State Committee for Supporting Voluntary Efforts".

(c)&(d): The schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs are mostly formulated by State Governments but implemented through the States/UTs. The funds are released to State/UT Governments who are required to ensure that the benefits of projects sanctioned under the schemes reach the beneficiaries.